

in
the
Street

ALMANAC

Who-o-o
I'm a wise
looking
simple old
owl!

"Better be wise and look simple than look
wise and be simple."

DECEMBER

17—Wright Brothers make
first airplane flight, 1903.

18—Slavery is abolished by
the Constitution, 1865.

19—Mad dog bites fourteen
in Salem, N. J., 1894.

20—South Carolina secedes
from the Union, 1860.

21—Pilgrims land at Plym-
outh Rock, Mass., 1620.

22—Cigarette smoking by
women attacked by the
Press, 1908.

23—Joan Crawford, screen
personality, born, 1908.

A Gift That Pays Dividends

Editorial in Santa Barbara, Calif.,
Daily News.

Over in Decatur, Texas, where they
produce some of the finest college-
bred ministers in the South, the
largest watermelons and the most
beautiful women on earth, there is an
editor by the name of Dick Collins
who is making money by giving away
advertising, the only thing a news-
paper has to sell.

For several years Dick Collins has
owned and published "The Wise
County Messenger," in a county seat
whose chief asset is a Baptist College.
Like most editors, he charged a good
rate for his classified advertising,
and had little of it. But a year or
so ago he came to the conclusion that
classified advertising, as farmers
used it, was in truth and actually
news. Most of them, these farmers,
had something they wanted to swap,
to trade or to sell in order to get
something else which they needed to
till the soil or irrigate their lands.
Accordingly, Mr. Collins turned his
back page over to the farmers, where
they are free to offer to exchange
this, swap that or trade a horse and
buggy for a cradle and two plow-
shares.

The idea at once became a success
and hundreds of farmers use the
page as a medium of common ex-
change. Mr. Collins has lost four or
five dollars a week in classified ad-
vertising, but has secured hundreds
of regular subscribers.

Statler, the hotel man, made mil-
lions on the same idea, founding a
great fortune on the simple funda-
mental that service was important
above all else. In hundreds of in-
stances where there have been com-
peting restaurants across the street
from each other one has remained
and the other has gone, because the
successful one did not charge for a
square of butter, a bit of marmalade
and a second cup of coffee. More
than one bank has become a power in
a city because it recognized character
above collateral. More than one cor-
poration business has become a great
department store because the boss was
willing to give part of his profits to
friendly service, knowing that once
he had made friends with his cus-
tomers, he would, or should, reap
profits that would mean dollars in-
stead of dimes.

There is perhaps not one in a thou-
sand counties of America where other
newspapers could do what Dick Col-
lins has done and make a success of
it, but at a country editor he had the
foresight to see how, under given cir-
cumstances, he could give away part
of the only product he had to sell and
make money by doing it. Neverthe-
less, there is a moral in it for all
forms of business.

What, for instance, in your own
business are you doing in the way of
public service that causes potential
customers to realize that from every
dollar you take in you desire to re-
turn something to the good of hu-
manity?

That is a question which each indi-
vidual must answer for himself, but
after all it is founded on the Golden
Rule.

The churches of Decatur will join
in a union Christmas service next
Sunday night, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock,
at the First Methodist church. The
message of the evening will be deliv-
ered by Dr. Galbraith, pastor of the
First Presbyterian church of Denton.
Dr. Galbraith is a brilliant speaker,
and it is expected that there will be
a capacity audience at this service.

Wise County Messenger

Published In Dairy Center of the Great Southwest
Supreme in Newspaper Field and Oldest Business Institution in Wise County--Estab. in 1880

54th YEAR

DECATUR, TEXAS, THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1934

NUMBER 51

LOCAL FIREMEN RECEIVE REWARD

Good Work Recognized By Denver Road High Officials

Most of us, maybe not all, heard
about a fire several miles down the
Denver railroad track the other day
when three big car tanks of gasoline
became ignited. Perhaps not all of
us heard the details. We knew that
a part of the Decatur fire-fighting
equipment and personnel went down
to the scene, but we didn't understand
fully what part the fire chief, Bruce
Bulgarel, and his boys played.

Truly it was a spectacular and a
very expensive fire to the railroad
company had all that immense store
of gasoline been destroyed. That it
was not destroyed is due to a feat of
achievement to be accredited to Deca-
tur's redoubtable fire fighters.

Three big tanks of gasoline, two
burning and the third endangered, di-
rectly on the main line, made an
event of big consequence to the rail-
road which tied up its passenger and
freight service on both ends.

That is why emergency calls were
sent to both Fort Worth and Decatur
fire departments.

Both outfits rattled down the big
equipment of Fort Worth showing up
in fine contrast to the machinery that
Chief Bulgarel had available. The
Decatur chief opened up with his
famous little booster tank, but the
little outfit failed to supply enough
water for so late a start and so big
and hot a fire. Even repeated return
trips for refilling failed to recruit
enough water to quench the flames,
now leaping many feet in the air.

By now the contents of one tank
had been consumed, the second was
afire and the third faced its doom.

The Fort Worth contingent with-
drew, reporting their conclusion that
the situation could not be handled.

Chief Bulgarel gathered his wits.
"Give us water and we will handle
the fire," he told the company offi-
cials who had hastened to the scene.
Whereupon a railroad engine and
tender were uncoupled, driven to the
tank at Herman and came back with
ten thousand gallons. Bulgarel hook-
ed his big machine onto this supply,
started his pump and snuffed out the
blazes in a twinkling. One full tank
and half another were saved. The
track was cleared and stalled trains
on either side made the passage.

This week the Decatur chief re-
ceived from a high company official
a letter of appreciation and congrat-
ulation on the good work done. More-
over, a big, fat, healthy looking check
for \$50.00 was inclosed as a contri-
bution.

Slidell to Entertain Singers, December 30

The Fifth Sunday Singing Con-
vention will meet at Slidell on Sunday,
December 30th, for the usual all-day
gathering of the organization. Sing-
ers from Wise, Denton and Cooke
counties will be there in large num-
bers, as well as people from out of
the state. The convention will open
at 10 a. m., and will last until 3:30
p. m.

At the noon hour the baskets of
food brought by those in attendance,
will be spread in old time picnic fash-
ion. This is by no means the least
part of the day's program, so don't
forget your lunch.

Those who love good singing, and
like to take part in it, come and en-
joy the day with your neighbors and
friends. Watch the Messenger for
further announcements.—Edd Young,
president, Ella Thompson, secretary.

Special Program Draws Full House at Church

Last Sunday night, at the presen-
tation of special program at the First
Baptist church, the house was filled
to capacity. The program was in two
parts, the first a pageant presented
by the college Y. W. A. showing the
objects and purposes of the Lottie
Moon Christmas offering to missions.
The second part of the program was
an arrangement of sacred music by
Prof. Carl Brumelow, director of
music at the college, presented by the
church choir and the Choral Club of
the college. Both choral and solo
numbers were rendered. Soloists
were Miss Eloise Mauldin, Miss Lu-
cile Blewett, Miss Hamilton and Mr.
Barry Hill. Mrs. Cody Milligan,
church pianist, played.



Decatur High Pep Squad Give Annual Banquet at Rogers Hall



SUE ALLEN STRIPLING

Under the direction of their spon-
sor, Miss Betty Anne Thedford, and
their leaders, Rowena Moore and
Tom Patterson, the high school pep
squad served a banquet Friday night,
Dec. 14, to about 60 guests, football
boys, and members. The affair was
held in Rogers hall, which was deco-
rated in the purple and gold colors of
Decatur High school and several do-
zen rubber balloons, appropriately ar-
ranged. After a welcome by Toast-
master Tom Patterson, and the intro-
duction of guests, a delicious dinner
of baked chicken and dressing, peas,
potatoes, cranberry sauce, beans, and
combination salad, was served by the
pupils of Miss Mary Ann Carter's
home economics II class. The des-
sert consisted of grape ice and cake,
which further carried out the purple
and gold motif. Meanwhile, Miss
Ruth Johnson of Rhine very kindly
furnished delightful music.

The program, which was opened by
various toasts and talks, was featured
by the presentation of little Sue Al-
lyn Stripling, 9-year-old Nocona High
school freshman, daughter of Dr. and
Mrs. A. A. Stripling of Nocona. She
read a playlet, rendered a farcical
novelty featuring quick change im-
personations, and did a tap dance.

The pep squad-football boys ban-
quet is an annual affair in Decatur
High school, and a very popular one.
This one marked the close of a very
successful football season in which
one of the best pep squads that this

school has boasted in recent years
played a very important part.

In addition to the football team and
pep squad, the following guests were
present: Mrs. A. A. Stripling, the Al-
lyn Stripling, and Miss Foster, all of
Nocona; Misses Ruth Johnson, Ethel
Dill, and Eva Dell Manly; Mr. and
Mrs. L. J. Garner; Mr. and Mrs. A.
B. Lee, and Messrs. C. A. Cates, T. E.
Moore and Coach Bill Meek.

Decatur Young Lady Addresses Rotary Anns

"International Relations" was the
subject on which Miss Alma Shulkey,
sister of Supt. B. C. Shulkey, address-
ed Rotary Anns at a banquet served
by the home economics class at eight
o'clock last night.

Miss Shulkey is widely traveled
and is therefore well versed in her
subject.

Alf Brown Passes Away At Home Here

Alf Brown, 61 years of age, died
suddenly at his home in Decatur
Monday morning shortly after eight
o'clock. He had suffered a heart
stroke early that morning, and while
sitting in a chair in his bed-room,
expired. Funeral services were con-
ducted at the First Baptist church
Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, by
Dr. J. L. Ward and Pastor R. E.
Bell. A large number of friends and
relatives attended the service. Burial
was held in Oaklawn cemetery, di-
rected by Carl Christian, undertaker.
A number of out-of-town friends of
the deceased were in attendance.

In claiming Alf Brown, death re-
moved one of the best known citizens
in this community; a man who had
as wide acquaintance as any man in
the county; one who probably knew
more men by their given names than
any other individual in this section.

He began his business career in
Paradise, many years ago, where he
spent his early manhood, and for
years he was successful as stock
trader. Later, he moved to Decatur
and became prominent in political af-
fairs, and for a number of years he
was connected with the First Nation-
al bank as collector. He was a di-
rector on the bank board. He was a
good judge of human nature, and was
one of the best politicians in the
county. He knew men, the strong as
well as the weak, and the not an edu-
cated man, he coped with the best
intellects in the political game, in
county and state politics. The best,
the most learned politicians sought
his advice in campaigns, and some
of the most successful owe their
climb up the ladder to the work and
suggestions of this man.

Alf Brown never aspired to politi-
cal office, but he was a power in po-
litics in this county for many years.
He knew the game better than any
man we have ever known, and we
have contended, had his lines been
cast in great political centers, he
would have made his mark high.

Alf Brown was loyal; win or lose,
he was true as steel to a friend and
his cause. He had his faults, as you
and I have our faults—but ingrati-
tude, or disloyalty, was not one of
them. He gave his best; asked no
quarter, gave none, and when the
fury and fun were over, the contest
was forgotten, and all animosities
engendered in the campaign, were
past incidents.

Failing health, brought about, some
say, by financial reverses, weakened
him, and he retired from active busi-
ness and political pursuits more than
two years ago, and lived quietly at
his home here in Decatur. He grieved
about his declining health, and the
disappointments that had come to
him in the evening of his life.

What more can be said; what more
telling epitaph could be engraved on
the marble shaft above Alf Brown's
last resting place, than: "He was a
true friend." And, am I amiss, if
I pen some words of Woolsey, uttered
when he checked up on his long and

C. OF C. PROGRAM FOR 1935 GOOD

Big Achievements Be Accomplished—High- way Building

Some insight into a county pro-
gram for 1935 by the Decatur Cham-
ber of Commerce:

Highways: Information Tuesday
morning was to the effect that sur-
facing of number 2 from Decatur
"north" had been included in the
federal emergency highway construc-
tion program for 1935. Private in-
formation is that the entire section of
highway 81 from Decatur to the Ok-
lahoma line will be considered as one
contract for surfacing rather than a
five-mile unit just out of Decatur as
was the first information. Comple-
tion of this highway in 1935 will in-
deed prove timely to Wise county,
since we are informed that the traf-
fic flow is largely over a competitive
route in counties west of us for rea-
son that a big, straight, wide, hard-
surfaced highway has been completed
there between the two strategic
points.

Highway 24 east to Denton and to
north and east Texas has elicited a
great deal of attention in recent
months. Communities have organiz-
ed and set in motion a movement that
looks to the federalization of this
route. Main interests locally is com-
pletion of the incomplete unit be-
tween Decatur and Denton. The
Texas highway commission is under
promise to the highway committee of
the local Chamber of Commerce to
build the unit mentioned "within two
years" provided Wise and Denton
counties will "furnish the right-of-
way."

Highway No. 89, Decatur to Gaines-
ville, a route designated, surveyed,
and finally mapped as the culmination
of years of work on the part of
the highway committee of the Cham-
ber of Commerce, stands now a block-
ed enterprise for reason of the in-
ability to negotiate for the right-of-
way. The chief beneficiary of the
ultimate completion of this great
highway, the great agricultural and
livestock section of the Greenwood
and Slidell country, must go for many
years more without a modern and up-
to-date highway outlet unless pres-
ent obstacles to construction can be
removed.

Securing of the needed compliment
of highways for the community is a
task that demands unceasing atten-
tion and work. Prolonged and un-
ceasing efforts were required to in-
duce the construction of the stretch
of concrete thru Decatur completed
this past summer, for example. End-
less negotiations will be requisite to
completing the highway building pro-
gram that lies before the community
at the present time. The men who
look after Decatur's road building
welfare are an able and resourceful
group of citizens, but the community
should understand that they shall
need the utmost cooperation of all
concerned if the program is carried
thru to a successful end.

Agriculture: It stands now clearly
revealed that about a half million
dollars may be made by Wise county
people in 1935 by growing a feed crop
adequate to all needs. And it is be-
ing stressed that a way to do that is
to abandon the idea that Wise county
is a safe and dependable corn grow-
ing region and plant the drought re-
sisting sorghum maize varieties in-
stead. Among these are Hegari,
Maize, Darso, Feterita, Ajax, Kaffir
and varieties of forage such as Texas
Seeded, Red Top, etc. Corn will suc-
ceed in good heavy land and on bot-
tom land in good years. In both
good and bad years and on most all
types of soil, especially upland, the
sorghum varieties will make some-
thing, and instead of one there are
two crops, and that, too often, is the
difference in Wise county in having
plenty of feed and having too little.

One of the recent United States
census reports based on a farm to
farm enquiry in this county showed
that in the year previous Wise coun-
ty people had sent nearly one-half
million dollars outside the county to
pay for imported feed. No doubt

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eventful life. "Had I served my God
with half the zeal I have served my
friends" I would be better off. But,
what greater things can a man do on
this mundane sphere, on the journey
from the cradle to the grave, than
give his best for a friend. Alf Brown
gave his best.

BAPTIST CHURCH
R. E. Bell, Pastor.

The church auditorium was about full last Sunday night to hear the special musical program and the missionary pageant. The pageant was the climax of the observance of the regular annual week of prayer for foreign missions. The special offering for foreign missions amounted to about \$95.00.

On next Sunday morning the church will make its offering to Buckner Orphan's Home. The home cares for more than 500 orphan children and it depends on the Baptists and their friends for support. While remembering members of our own families at Christmas, we ought not to forget the orphans.

The congregation of the Baptist church will join in the union Christmas service at the Methodist church next Sunday night.

Mmes. Effie Heflin, Clyde Dillehay, and J. B. Green and wife, and R. E. Bell attended the monthly workers' meeting at Bridgeport last Monday. The January meeting will be held in Decatur. Prof. Carl Brumbelow attended the Southwest Conference of Choir Directors in Fort Worth last Monday and Tuesday.

Those who have kept up with the Bible readings are finishing reading the Bible thru this week.

The pastor of the Baptist church extends best wishes to all his friends for a happy Christmas at this holy holiday season, and suggests that we remember with gratitude and consecration the "Unspeaking Gift" of our Heavenly Father, in whose honor Christmas is supposed to be celebrated.—R. E. Bell, pastor First Baptist Church.

METHODIST CHURCH
"The Church with a Glad Hand"
W. C. Clement, Pastor

Next Sunday will be the last Sunday before Christmas, and it would be wonderful if everyone would go to church and worship our blessed Lord who made Christmas possible. It would perhaps enable us to observe the Christmas holidays in a more appropriate way. Therefore, let's go to church next Sunday and worship Him who gave Himself for us.

Sunday school will begin at 10 o'clock and don't forget that you are expected to be present and have some one with you that was not present last Sunday. Preaching at the 11 o'clock hour by the pastor.

At the evening hour, 7 o'clock, there will be a union Christmas service at the Methodist church. The main feature of this service will be the Christmas message by Dr. Galbraith, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Denton. Come and help make this a great service.

First Christian Church
Rev. J. Owen Hussey, Pastor

The pastor is urging every member to be present Sunday evening, Dec. 23, at 7:30 in the union services to be held in the First Methodist church. Four churches of the city are cooperating in this service, the Methodist, First Baptist, Fundamentalist Baptist and First Christian. Bro. Clement will preside and Dr. Will Fred Galbraith, Sr., of Denton will bring the message. Dr. Galbraith has been a great social worker in and about Denton and his Christian influence has brought many to Christ. We are fortunate in securing a man as Dr. Galbraith for our services, and will appreciate the cooperation of all members.

Last Sunday evening a layman's service was given with Bro. W. C. Shults bringing the message. His text was the eighteenth chapter of St. Matthew. "A man should be humble," he said, "having a low estimate of himself. A man may be humble from a sense of his own imperfection and a consciousness of not being what he ought to be." "Too many," he continued, "are too easily offended and once they've had their feelings wounded, they withdraw from the church with the idea that, without their cooperation, the church will in some measure be wrecked, but this is not any one individual's church—it is the church of God and God's work will be carried on regardless of those who attempt to work hardships on it."

10:00 a. m., Bible school, Floyd Dadd, superintendent.

10:45 a. m., Bible school assembly. Miss Jewel Burton, secretary.

11:00 a. m., Morning worship. Christmas will be observed by a special in charge of Miss Burton and the singing of Christmas carols. Sermon by pastor, "When the Angels Were Gone."

7:30 p. m., evening worship. Union services at the First Methodist church, Dr. W. F. Galbraith bringing the message.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals, addressed to the Hon. H. E. Brady, County Judge, and successors in office, of Wise County, Texas, for the alterations and repairs of the County Court House and Jail, in accordance with the plans and specifications and instructions to bidders, prepared by Q. M. Love & Company, Architects and Engineers, 314 S. Henderson St., Fort Worth, Texas, will be received at the office of the County Court, Decatur, Texas, until 11 a. m. Jan.

3d, 1935.

The successful bidder will be required to enter into a contract with the County Commissioners Court of Wise County, Texas, which will contain provisions conforming with the requirements of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, as set out in its Bulletin No. 2, Revised March 3, 1934, and the construction provisions of the Loan and-or Grant Agreement.

A certified or cashier's check, payable without recourse, to the order of The County Commissioners Court of Wise County, Texas, or an acceptable proposal bond, in an amount not less than five (5%) per cent of the largest possible bid including consideration of alternates, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will properly enter into a contract and execute bonds in the forms provided, as outlined in the specifications and instructions to bidders.

A performance bond, in an amount of one hundred (100%) per cent of the contract price, and a separate and distinct labor bond, in an amount equal to the estimated largest aggregate payroll in any one month, will be required.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum wage rates prescribed by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works must be paid on this project.

Contract will be awarded subject to the approval of the State Engineer, PWA.

(a) "Pursuant to Executive Order 6646, dated March 14, 1934, no bid will be considered unless it includes or is accompanied by a certificate (worded in accordance with PWA 61, revised March 19, 1934) duly executed by the bidder stating that the bidder is complying with and will continue to comply with each approved code of fair competition to which he is subject, and if engaged in any trade or industry for which there is no approved code, of fair competition, then stating that as to such trade or industry he has become a part to and is complying with and will continue to comply with an agreement with the President (President's Re-employment Agreement) under section 4 (a) of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

Plans and specifications may be secured from the Architects by contractors, or their representatives upon deposit of ten (\$10.00) dollars, \$7.50 (seven dollars and fifty cents) of which will be returned upon return of plans and specifications to said Architect.

CLASSIFIED ADVS.

LOST—Monday, bill fold with currency in it. Finder return to John Tumulty for reward.

SECOND-HAND FURNITURE For Sale: Dressers, buffets, dining chairs and tables, library table, gas cook and heater stoves, folding bed, wardrobe, roll-top office desk and meat boxes, near Baptist church, by R. L. BLANKENSHIP.

280-ACRE FARM For Lease—5 miles north of Decatur on new highway; for particulars see ALICE FRANCES KERR, Decatur, Texas.

SEE ME When you bring your furs to town, located at the A. D. Reeves building, across street from back of the bank. I pay boys the same price I pay men.—RUSH MONTGOMERY, Decatur, Texas. 2ip.

6-ROOM HOUSE For Sale—1 block from school building; would consider trade.—W. L. WALKER, at school store.

FOR RENT—91 acres 7 miles south of Decatur, old Decker home place; \$75.00 money or third and fourth right.—A. W. MANN, Box 1717, Pampa, Texas.

FOR RENT OR SALE—Four-room house, garage, chicken house, cow lot, etc.—J. H. MORRIS, Decatur.

XMAS SUGGESTIONS—Give mother a Singer Sewing Machine, treadle or electric, in the new reverse stitch.—H. C. TALIAFERRO, Phone 780, Denton, Texas.

HAVE BUYERS for small sandy-land farms, 75 to 150 acres. See W. H. STROUD, Decatur, Texas.

FOR RENT—One furnished room for one or two men.—See MRS. T. L. TAYLOR or phone 195. chg.

FOR SALE—My home one block west of square on West Walnut street, also house and lot one block of school building.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM.

666 checks COLDS and FEVER first day Headaches in 30 minutes LIQUID - TABLETS SALVE - NOSE DROPS



MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

Happy New Year

At the close of our first season to operate our gin plant in the Greenwood community, it gives us pleasure to know that we have made a host of friends from patrons of our business.

We shall strive from year to year to merit that same confidence that has been tended us during our short stay with you good people.

Again we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New and Prosperous Year.

Greenwood Gin Co.

J. Q. CORNETT, Mgr.



Christmas Greetings

We take this opportunity to extend to our friends and customers
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our store will be closed Xmas day and open late Dec. 24th

NO. 1 POTATOES, 10 pounds	20c
Large size FLORIDA ORANGES, 2 doz.	33c
Fancy Winesap APPLES, 2 dozen	29c
COCOANUTS, nice size 2 for	13c
EMPEROR GRAPES pound	10c
Fancy Cape Cod CRANBERRIES, pound	25c
LETTUCE, firm crisp head	5c
CELERY nice bleached, 2 stalks	17c
Ann Page Pure Fruit PRESERVES, pt.	17c
SPARKLE DESSERT, 3 packages	13c
A-P GRAPE JUICE, 2 pint bottles	29c
IONA PEACHES, big No. 2 1/2 can	15c
Brown and Confectioners SUGAR, 2 pkg.	15c
HERSHEYS COCOA, 1 lb. can	12c
NESTLES candy bars, 1/2 pound, 2 for	25c
ASSORTED CHOCOLATES, 5 pound box	95c
Mixed Xmas CANDY, pound	13c
ALL CANDY BARS, 3 for	10c
GRANDMOTHERS FRUIT CAKE, lb.	39c
QUEEN ANN MINCEMEAT, pkg.	10c
Del Monte PINEAPPLE, crushed No. 2 c.	18c

A FEW OF OUR ORANGE AND APPLE PRICES

Extra Large California Oranges, dozen	39c
Large size California Oranges, dozen	36c
Large size Delicious Apples, dozen	36c
Medium size Delicious Apples, dozen	30c

Del Monte Tomato Juice, 10 oz. can	8 O'CLOCK COFFEE
3 for 25c	Pound 19c

These Prices Effective Fri., Sat., Mon.

CLOSE-OUT SALE
Decatur Hardware Co.

Incorporated

BOUGHT BY T. S. GILL
from Assignee

Many Items Suitable
For Xmas Presents
BARGAINS in DISHES

Everything at Real
Bargain Prices

Toys, Many Items Half Price Good Typewriter and Adding Machine—
And Less—

Close-Out on Paint and Varnish Cream Separators—

NEWS

loyd Rowan were visitors Tuesday.

udson of Greenwood, visitor Saturday.

Grubbs and son, Billy, visitors Thursday.

Moise Mauldin of Greenwood, Decatur Saturday.

Miss Bert Skiles visited relatives in Denton over the week end.

See the home-made gifts at W. O. Bailey's insurance office.

Miss Pauline Rhine visited friends in Fort Worth Thursday.

Mrs. Ruth Jones was a Fort Worth visitor first of the week.

Miss Verda Mae Crank visited relatives in Cleburne, over the week end.

Lee S. Reese visited ohme folks in Denton over the week end.

J. W. Starks was a Fort Worth visitor Friday.

Joe Skiles and Bob Holloman were here Sunday from Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Breedlove spent the week end in Olney.

Buy your Christmas candies and fruits at the Pop Korn Kitchen.

J. J. Rieger was in Dallas Tuesday on business.

Blake Workman, who has been playing professional football in St. Louis, has returned to his home here.

Misses Maxine McCracken and Imogene House spent last week in Dallas visiting relatives and friends.

Selma Ingram, experienced motion picture show operator, has leased the Ritz theater from Mr. Yates.

Mrs. Lawrence Ortolani and children, visited relatives in Fort Worth Thursday and Friday.

Weldon Renshaw of Fort Worth spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bluford Walker and daughter were Fort Worth visitors Saturday.

Miss Mary Ann Carter visited friends in Wichita Falls over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Fox and Mrs. Douglas Faith were Fort Worth visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Morris and daughters were Fort Worth visitors Saturday.

Misses Mildred Taylor and Marie Fox were Fort Worth visitors Saturday.

Mrs. H. M. Helm and sons, Junior and Jack, and W. A. Hughes, Jr., were in Fort Worth Saturday.

Mrs. H. L. Ward and son, Grady, and wife were in Wills Point Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Bell attended the celebration in Bowie Friday in honor of James Allred, governor-elect.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Montgomery will spend Christmas Day in Electra, with Mrs. Montgomery's sister.

Mrs. Kathryn Ruth Nobles of Dallas visited relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Tucker visited friends and relatives in Bowie Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maidens and Miss Imogene House were Fort Worth visitors Monday.

Miss Louise Greer and Mrs. Carl Faith were Fort Worth visitors Monday.

Home made, hand painted gifts on display at Bailey's insurance office. See them before you buy.

Miss La Nelle Beason of Houston, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawson here this week.

We sell fire works at the Pop Korn Kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Walker of Fort Worth, visited relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terrell of Fort Worth, visited relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Pearson, Jr., were Fort Worth visitors over the week end.

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Petty and son of Fort Worth, visited relatives here and in Alvord over the week end.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Curry in Decatur clinic, Saturday, Dec. 15, a son.

Miss Katherine Rhine, who has been visiting relatives in Bowie the past week, has returned to her home here.

Mrs. G. C. Frazier and children, Holly Jean and Joyce, and Miss Bonnie Long of Dallas, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Long.

Miss Claudia Mae Workman of Fort Worth, visited relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Browning and daughter of Canyon, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore.

Mrs. Howard Jordan of Olney, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Breedlove here this week.

Mrs. Lester Roberts of Hamilton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Carrie Bellah, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hall and children visited relatives in Bridgeport Sunday.

R. L. White, superintendent of the CCC camp at Boyd, was in Decatur Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Young of Artesia, N. M., are visiting Mr. and J. G. Young and family here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Spain and daughter visited friends and relatives in Rhame Sunday.

Dr. L. P. Higgins, who has been attending a dental convention in Buffalo, N. Y., has returned to his office in Decatur.

Basil Spain and Weldon Griggs, who have been playing professional football with the Dallas Rams, have returned to their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Jennings attended the banquet at Bowie Friday given in honor of Governor-elect James V. Allred.

John Turner, formerly of Wise county, died at his home in Wills Point Thursday, and was buried in Dallas the following day.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends for their sympathy and kind ministrations to us in the dark hours after the passing of our husband and father. Your deeds were comforting and your presence a blessing. We appreciate it deeply. God bless you.—Mrs. H. L. Ward and Children.

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G. C. RANDOLPH, Pastor

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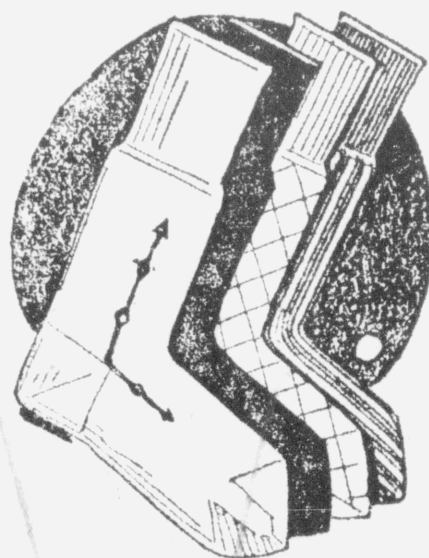
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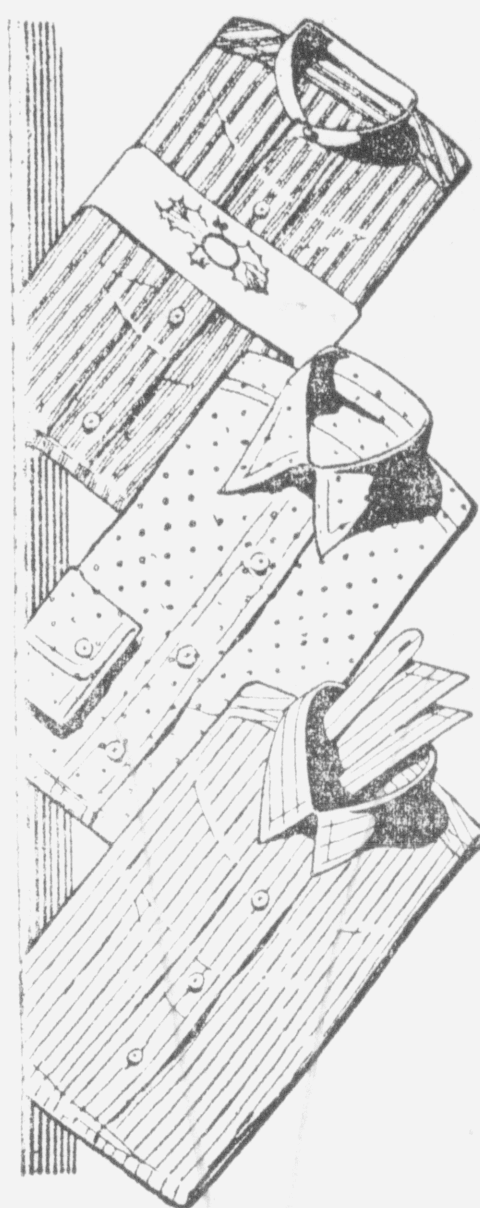
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"Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations, may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong." —Stephen Decatur.

Pledge . . .

I will think—talk—write . . . Texas Centennial in 1936! This is to be my celebration. In its achievement I may give free play to my patriotic love for Texas' heroic past; my confidence in its glories that are to be.

Thursday, Morning December 20, 1934

LONE MOUND NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Reed and family, Mr. and Mrs. Prince Claborn and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Claborn of the Red Door community.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington and children spent a while Monday with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Raley of the Foster community.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rose from the Audubon community, have moved to this community.

Mrs. Della Ray of the Red Door community, spent Friday with Mrs. Willie Peyton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burfield and son spent a while Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Capps spent a while Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fox of near Alvord.

Mr. Lawrence Wiley of Levelland, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stone.

Mrs. W. A. Claborn and Mrs. Jettie Claborn spent one day last week with Mrs. Willie Peyton.

Mrs. G. A. Ray of Wichita Falls, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Prince Claborn.

Misses Millie and Vera Farrington spent Monday with Mrs. Bonnie Burfield.

Mrs. Shipley spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Bettie Farrington.

Mrs. Jim Webb left one day last week for Shawnee, Okla., where they will make their home.

Mrs. Dewey Davis and son visited her sister, Mrs. Lillian Payne, Sunday.

Ogal Shipley visited Elmo Burfield Sunday.

MIDWAY NEWS

Miss Faye McGovern of Greenwood spent all this week with Mrs. Wade Hampton.

Mr. Henry and Edd Weaver and Tom Adams of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Tillie Hudson and family Saturday and Sunday.

Vernon Green and Faye McGovern and Shorty Wright called at Miss Lois Hudson's home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ransom and family visited his son, Richard, wife and daughter, Sunday.

Richard Ransom, who is working in Dallas, visited his family Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillie Hudson and family, Henry and Edd Weaver and Tom Adams called at Richard Ransom's home Sunday evening.

Miss Lois Hudson spent last week with Mrs. Frank Wright.

Charles Dollar, who is working in Fort Worth, has returned home.

Frank Teurman spent Sunday night with Ralph Bridges.

Vernon Green visited at the Hampton home Monday night.

Truman Casey of Fort Worth, is visiting home folks this week.

Mrs. Tillie Hudson visited Mrs. Cecil Hudson Monday.

Miss Lois Hudson spent last week in Decatur with her cousin, Maxie Lee Boydston.

BRUMLOW NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Burchard spent Sunday with Tom Sellars and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sampler spent last Tuesday night with Mr. F. Austin and family.

Mrs. W. G. Dawson visited her daughter-in-law of Slidell last Friday.

Mrs. E. C. Rice and daughter, Mrs. John Wilson, visited Mrs. Tom Osborne, of Decatur, Monday.

Mr. John Wilson, Ewin Rice, Jack Thacker, Walter Griffith, were in Decatur Saturday on business.

Mrs. Howard and children of Slidell, visited her mother of this community, Mrs. Jack Thacker.

Miss Fay McClarty visited Miss Fay Sampler Sunday afternoon.

presented a Christmas program in chapel Tuesday. They have also been writing Christmas poems. Some of them show real talent.

The children of the primary room will present a Christmas program Tuesday morning at nine o'clock. Those who visited the primary room this week were: Mrs. Oma Cartwright, Blanche Dodson, W. B. Ennis, Carrie Ponder, Ruth Bentley, Ethel Warden and Miss Doris Kilmer.

The little folks are getting very interested in Santa's visit. We have drawn names and are making many plans for a merry time next Friday, when we expect the old fellow who has been standing by our tree for sometime to really come alive.

SPLAWN NEWS

Rev. E. M. Leonard from Seminary Hill, accompanied by his wife, filled his regular appointment at Splawn Saturday night and Sunday.

Luther Rhine and wife have moved to the Weatherspoon farm.

Joe Bibbs, wife and wife's mother, Mrs. Susie Slayton from Leo, have moved to the J. W. Dye farm for another year. We welcome newcomers to our community.

Webb Rhine, wife and baby were Sunday visitors with her father, Mr. B. E. Miller.

Willard Bewley and wife of Rosston, were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Arnold.

Joe, Jim and Bryant Truett, Dan Warren and P. R. Rogers butchered and canned five hives last week.

Charlie Graham and family are moving to the Phil Best place, east of Greenwood, for another year.

Furn Jones and family visited Bob Wakeman and family Monday.

J. F. Truitt, Jr., and wife, spent last Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Richardson, near Greenwood.

Bryant Truitt and family were Sunday guests of Mrs. Truitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bentley.

Thurmond Still and family of Slidell, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Truitt, Sunday.

Melvin Truitt visited his sister, Mrs. Thurmond Still of Slidell, last Friday night.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kind sympathy shown and the many beautiful flowers sent during the long illness and recent loss of our dear husband and father, God bless you.—Mrs. D. H. Payne, Mrs. C. L. McNair, Dr. W. T. Payne, Mr. Paul H. Payne.

PRITCHETT-WEATHERBY

Miss Anna Pritchett and Mr. Truett Weatherby were married in Dallas, December 12th, by Rev. R. G. Mood. Mrs. Weatherby is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Pritchett of Merritt. She formerly resided in Decatur, where Rev. Pritchett was circuit pastor for the Methodist church. Mr. Weatherby is the son of Mrs. Beniah Weatherby of the Sycamore community. This couple are both popular with the younger set in Decatur. The Messenger joins with their many friends in wishing them a long and happy married life. They will make their home in Malin, Ore.

NOTICE REGARDING SHOOTING FIREWORKS IN FIRE LIMIT

Warning is hereby given that the Ordinance prohibiting the shooting of any kind of fireworks within the Fire Limits of the City of Decatur will be strictly enforced during the holiday season. The penalty for violation of this ordinance is a fine of not more than \$25.00.

The citizens are requested to co-operate with the officials in having a safe and sane Christmas.

Signed, P. R. BATES, Mayor.

C. of C. Program

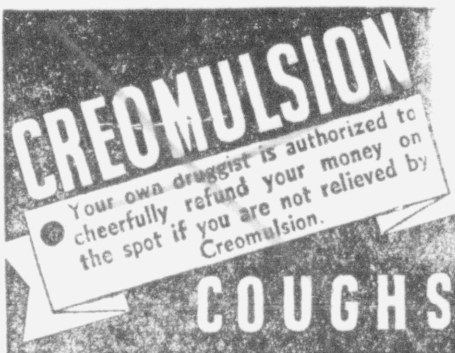
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that will prove approximately the figures for this year of 1934. And that is the reason why we vouchsafed the opinion that Wise county can, if it so wills, make a half-million dollars in 1935.

The salvaging of the estimated sixty-five thousand acres of overflow bottom land lying along Denton and Sandy creeks and their overflowed smaller tributaries and along the Trinity River, to intensive farming would produce a social and economic upheaval of profoundest benefit to all of Wise county. Many a great part of the worn out, upland farms could be terraced, planted to permanent pasture crops and committed to profitable dairying and livestock ventures. The money making farming would then gravitate to the safer, richer, highly more productive creek bottom lands, once they were released from the jeopardy of overflows. And there would be enough of this new rich farming domain to produce the wealth for a big prosperous business and social life.

And of all years the next, 1935, holds the most promise of getting the creek channels cleared of the debris that causes the overflows. The president of the United States has already announced land conservation and reclamation as a major policy from now on. Both relief and Civilian Conservation labor are working in similar enterprise. Necessary public funds from other sources will no doubt be made available for such undertakings. Public officials need to be urged to take the lead. If you have any concern for the furthering of this last mentioned endeavor, you are invited to make your wishes known to your responsible public officials.

Duke University has one of the South's most complete collections of surveying instruments, all available to engineering students.



"TREAT YOUR CREDIT AS A SACRED TRUST"

Decatur merchants, members of credit association, have been long suffering as to credit allowances to patrons. It is due to their continued and sheer kindness that they have suffered losses and broken faiths.

There is no disposition on the part of merchants to be harsh. The organization created has for its major purpose the correction of acknowledged abuses and to foster that quality of credit morale that every worthwhile trading center throughout the land has found desirable and necessary to good business and good citizenship.

For the far larger part ours is a community of intelligent and worthy citizenship. Some of us, however, have dropped behind and others have been negligent about meeting our obligations or else have clear understandings with our creditors in which our good intentions have a chance to be revealed.

It is thought that by the 10th of January next, a sufficient time and opportunity will have been accorded to all to seek out such understandings with merchants and firms they owe, advisedly to pay all if possible, at least to make some payment. Reports on credit standings found to be true after that date will then be recorded. Begin action today to get yourself in the clear. That can be done by seeing your creditors. Treat your credit as a sacred trust.

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Overcoats	\$6.95 to \$19.50
Leather Jackets	\$4.95 to \$9.95
Suede Cloth Jackets	\$1.98, \$2.65
Hand Bags	\$1.98 to \$9.95
Men's Felt Hats	\$1.98 to \$3.98
Stetson Hats	\$4.95 to \$6.50
Men's Oxfords	\$1.98 to \$6.00
Men's House Shoes	69c to \$1.95
Men's Dress Shirts	79c to \$1.95
Men's Pajamas	\$1.49 to \$2.50
Men's Robes	\$2.95 to \$4.95
Men's Ties	39c to \$1.00
Bill Folds, Leather	65c and 98c
Men's Sweaters	89c to \$3.95
Men's Hosiery	15c, 19c, 25c, 50c
Men's Belts	39c to \$1.00
Tie Clasp and Collar Pin	25c-\$1
Bey's Suits	\$4.95 to \$12.50
Boys Leatherette Sheeplined Coats	\$2.95
Boys Suede Jackets	69c to \$2.98
Tie and Handkerchief Sets	59c to \$1

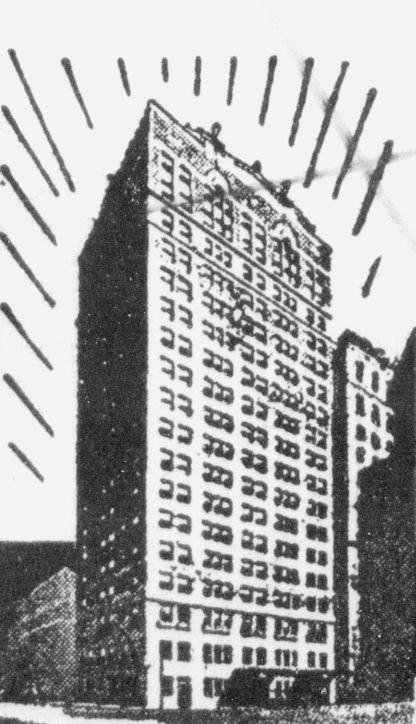
Silk Dresses	\$2.98 to \$9.98
Ladies Coats	\$4.95 to \$19.95
Suede Jackets	\$1.98 to \$3.98
Ladies Gowns	\$1.98 to \$2.98
Silk Pajamas	\$1.98 to \$3.98
Step-ins and Bloomers	25c to \$1
Rain Coats	\$2.95 to \$5.95
House Shoes	39c to \$1.49
Silk Hose	49c to \$1.49
Handkerchief Sets	25c to \$1
Stationery Boxes	15c, 25c, 50c
Kid Gloves	\$1.49, \$1.95, \$2.48
Ladies Purses	49c, 98c, to \$1.98
Fitted Cases	\$1.98 to \$12.50
Dolls	25c, 50c, 98c, \$1.49
Manicure Sets	15c to 98c
Hat Boxes	\$1.49 to \$3.95
Bridge Sets	
Towel Sets	59c, 98c
Baby Blankets	39c, \$1.98
Lounging Robes	\$2.98 to \$5.98
Bed Spreads	98c to \$3.98
Tam and Scarf Sets	98c

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And May The Coming Year Be Happy
And A Fulfillment of Your Every
Expectation And Hope

C. L. CHRISTIAN
HOME FURNISHING
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May the Yuletide
bring you the
fulfillment of your
wishes
Happy New Year

West Main Street
GULF STATION
C. L. Cummings, Mgr.

S. B. HARDIMAN
The Old Groceryman
Wishes You All

A MERRY
CHRISTMAS



Health, Happiness, Prosperity.
We know you're hoping for all
three this Christmas. So here's
wishing them to you all now and
thruout the new year 1935.

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A Merry Xmas - - -

to our many friends
and customers of the
past years. We ap-
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Square Deal Shoe
and Harness Shop

W. E. MABRY
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May this be the
Happiest Christmas
you've had in many
a year. And may
all that is best in life
come your way in
the New Year.

BOB - BILL'S
SHOP

Faye's Beauty
Shop

Wishes You All

A Very Merry
Christmas

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WISHES YOU

A Merry Christmas

and an unusually
Prosperous New
Year

WE WISH YOU
A Merry Christmas
and a

Happy New Year

We appreciate your
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THANK YOU - - -

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Hope Christmas
Day is the Merriest
Ever for You and
Yours, and the
New Year--Even
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May This Christmas
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You Enriched With
Those Blessings That
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INSURANCE

HERE'S WISHING
THAT THIS XMAS
MAY FIND YOU
ALL HAPPY AMID
COUNTLESS TREA-
SURES and EVERY
DAY OF THE NEW
YEAR BE EQUAL-
LY AS JOYFUL.

Majestic Theatre

A Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

To all my friends
and customers

FRANK GREEN

GREETINGS - - -

A Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

**POP KORN
KITCHEN**

Mr. and Mrs.
Carl Faith

As An Old Time
Neighbor to His
Neighbors, Here's
An Old Time Greet-
ing:

MAY THE HOLI-
DAY SEASON BE
ONE OF HAPPI-
NESS AND PROS-
PERITY.

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We appreciate the fine patronage
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Our wish for you is

A Very Merry
Christmas

And A New Year of
Happiness and Pros-
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You've Had in Many
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May 1935 Be A Year
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things we're wishing
you this year. So
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Merry Christmas
Happy New Year

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Tailor

The Season's
GREETINGS

Summit Garage
Gordon D. Roberts
Prop.

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A Merry Xmas.
and a New Year
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Happiness, Health
and Prosperity

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Greetings Folks - -

We hope you have a
Joyful Holiday

Season

and a

Happy-Prosperous
New Year

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May Christmas
Bring You Joy
and the New Year
One of Happiness

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Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
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CARL and FAMILY
Wish You

A Merry Christmas
and

Happy New Year
GRINER'S GARAGE

OUR WISH TO YOU

Merry Christmas
Happy New Year

**SILVER MOON
CAFE**

O. L. Walker, Mgr.

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year

**C. D. SHAMBURGER
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A Very Merry
Christmas

MAY THE YEAR
1935 BRING YOU
PROSPERITY AND
HAPPINESS

Liberty Cleaners
Glenn Hunt--"Puss"
Nobles

In appreciation of
my friends and
customers

We sincerely wish
you all

A Merry Christmas
and Happiness and
Prosperity
During the Coming
Year

PARR'S GROCERY

WATCH PARADISE

By MARYLEE HILL

Once more the air seems charged with eager expectancy, subdued excitement, and joyous fellowship as the holiday season approaches. In the class rooms, in the library, on the school grounds—everywhere there is a general atmosphere of alertness, of happiness and of well-being. We may lay part of this, perhaps, to anticipation of Christmas trees and gifts and feasts. But a great portion is due to a well-regulated school system, to the many improvements which have added much to the convenience and pleasure of the student, and to the feeling of satisfaction one feels on putting out one's best in a given piece of work.

Several members of the faculty mean to travel around and see the country (and, incidentally, a few friends and relatives), during Christmas week. Some may go as far down as the Carlsbad Caverns, but one suspects that they will be anxious to come back up to Paradise before very long! There is something about Paradise that does it. The school, the town, the people—perhaps all have their part in it.

But before any of the faculty leave for the holidays, a play will be presented. The date is Saturday evening, December 22, and all are invited to attend, provided they have the small admission fee! But, folks, it'll be worth a dime or so, seeing such characters as Judge Lanier, the villainous store-keeper who puts rocks in his beans; Tibbie Tantor, who, thru "just a little harum-scarum nothing," makes the Judge the biggest man in Elmwood, bend to her will. Come and see these characters, played by Mr. and Mrs. Gasperson, and laugh at the French maid, who is always wanting to be "kissed", and at Stradivarius (Straddy, for short), the great big American "mans," who is the object off her affections, but who must marry a "furriner" accord-

ing to his "hornoscope." Then there's Parker, who loves Tibbie, and Edith who loves Parker. Two women, finally—the poor girl and the rich girl—waging that age old battle—over a man. Who will win? And what part does Tibbie's long-lost father and the fortune teller, and the old cripple, Ann, take in the unfolding of the plot? Come and see.

For weeks now passers-by have been able to see girls marching, running and going thru various workouts of more or less difficulty during the physical education period in the afternoon—volley ball girls. Not until Friday afternoon, in the game with the strong Boonsville team, did the results of the intensive training appear at the best advantage. The girls played smoothly and tirelessly, and displayed good teamwork in passing the ball. They won, after a hard-fought contest, over the Boonsville sextet. Needless to say, work-outs will continue!

Two other ball games were played in Paradise Friday, one of which was won by the locals and one lost. The boys basketball team won easily over the Boyd quintet, and the junior girls, playing Bridgeport, were defeated.

The library has become a great favorite with the high school students. More and more books are being checked out thruout the day; the radio furnishes good music, talks, and news of the day's happenings over the world; stacks of the better magazines lie waiting on long shelves for students' hands—magazines concerning history, cookery, English, wood-work and many other phases of school life. These, as well as those containing good fiction and articles of interest, are found in the library of Paradise High School. Not to mention shelves and shelves of books, of course, and pictures, and—oh, well, you might come over and see it someday too!

Mr. Leonard has been giving health lectures to the high school students three times a week, on days too bad to play outside, and on the other

two days the students have a period of recreational reading. The series of talks being conducted by Mr. Leonard, deals with the care of the body, sportsmanship, and other phases relative to the physical, mental and social health of the students.

The story goes that recently when Mr. Lumsden was in charge of the library, the Spanish class across the hall suddenly burst into song, a popular number in the foreign language, and that Mr. Lumsden turned to one of the students and said, "I think I told you to turn that radio off!" The Spanish students were highly pleased with themselves upon hearing of the incident, until they heard the rest of the speech, which is quoted as being, "There's entirely too much static this afternoon to get a good program." But really, those students can sing!

The school paper, "The Panther's Scratch," will be issued sometime this week, perhaps between play rehearsals. We hate to disappoint our public and our editorial staff. The staff, of which C. F. Kelley is editor-in-chief, has done remarkably well and has given us a paper of which we are proud.

Rev. Oliver of the Methodist church spoke to the students of the high school students in assembly Wednesday afternoon. We hope he will visit again soon.

The rock wall is rapidly encircling the school grounds. Flowers and shrubs will soon be set out over the campus. The eyes of Wise county are on Paradise. Watch it grow.

IN MEMORIAM

In the death of Mrs. Joe Pool, Paradise lost one of its most useful, consecrated and best-loved women. She was a fine friend and noble Christian character. The family and relatives have our sincere sympathy.

This church has lost a faithful friend. We will miss her.—Members of the First Christian Church, Paradise, Texas.

PART TIME CLASS

Boys between the ages of 14 and 25, who are out of school, are invited to attend a night class for boys at the vocational agricultural class-room of Decatur High school, beginning on Thursday night, Jan. 3, 7:30 o'clock. The lessons for study will be along agricultural lines to be selected by the group. Several boys have expressed their interest in the class, and others are invited to attend. Boys who have already enrolled in the class are: Paul Spencer, Ed Berg, Robert Lee Rich, George McConnell, John Berg, Earl Cunningham, Weldon Cunningham, Charles Berg and Howard Owens.

'OUR LOSS AND HEAVEN'S GAIN'

God has seen fit to take from us our beloved president, Mrs. Rosa Pool. Here her dependable aid in all worthy Christian enterprises ranked her as one of the leading Christian women of this community. In recognition of her contribution to the upbuilding of her church, her name stands inscribed in the Word of God Book of Golden Deeds, Nov. 6th, which honor was bestowed upon our president with a surprise birthday shower in which every member of the Missionary Society responded. She was one of the organizers of the society—her whole heart was in this work.—Missionary Society.

All who tuned in on radio station WRAP last Wednesday heard the Decatur Baptist College Choral Club in a most interesting program. This program was under the direction of Carl Brumblow, music director of the college, and was booked too late for an announcement in this paper, but all future broadcasts will be duly announced in these columns.

In the program, besides the choral numbers, solos were given by Miss Gussie Insall, violin instructor at the college, and Miss Mary Ellen Hamilton, of Memphis, voice student of Mr. Brumblow. Many such programs

are planned for the school year, besides a number of concerts in nearby towns.

Judge Tom Simmons of Fort Worth, J. P. Williams of Minear Wells, John A. Simmons and Guinn Williams of San Angelo, were among out-of-town friends who attended the funeral of Alf Brown here Tuesday afternoon.

Postage stamps on United States mail were first used in 1840 during the administration of President James K. Polk.

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF FIVE DIRECTORS, TO BE HELD BY WISE COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

This notice concerns only qualified voters, who reside within this District, and who also own property subject to taxation by the District. All such persons hereby are advised that they will be entitled to vote in an election to be held by the District on Tuesday, January 8, 1935, within the hours prescribed by the laws of Texas, to control the holding of general elections. The object of said election is to choose five directors to serve this District. The three directors receiving the highest number of votes will serve for two years, and the other two will serve for one year. Those persons who now have filed as candidates are: 1. W. D. Young; 2. W. H. John; 3. F. P. Kaker; 4. W. E. Munn; and 5. Albert Pavillard. Any lawfully qualified voter of the District who desires to become a candidate may do so by filing a written request therefor with W. H. John, at Bridgeport, Texas, as Secretary of the District, on a day not later than December 18, 1934. The precinct voting places and the respective names of the officers to hold such election are as follows:

1—Bridgeport, to be held by E. J. Hardy, Presiding Judge; Assistant Judge; and Mrs. E. J. Hardy, Clerk.
2—Boyd, in Wren, to be held by E. J. Hardy, Presiding Judge; D. R. McClure, Assistant Judge; and Mrs. E. J. Hardy, Clerk.
3—Newark, in Barbe, to be held by W. A. Hardy, Presiding Judge; M. N. Hudson, Assistant Judge; and Mrs. S. L. Huddleston, Clerk.
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WISE COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.
By W. D. Young, As President.
Seal
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Message Sunday morning Kings 20th chapter; theme, Hezekiah turned the wall and prayed, he unto death, and God answered prayer and added fifteen years to his life.

Subject Sunday night, "The Unreasonable Sin," text, Mat. 12:31. Blasphemy against the Holy Ghost, attributing to the devil the miraculous works of the Holy Spirit, for which sin there is no pardon.

One hundred fifty-five in morning Bible school. Lesson for next Sunday, first two chapters of Exodus. Teachers meeting Tuesday night, 7 p. m. and choir practice to follow at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night with business meeting to follow. Be present and take part in these meetings.

All usual services Sunday morning Sunday evening at 7:30 all the churches come together at the Methodist church for a special Christmas service. Pastor of the Presbyterian church of Denton will be present and deliver the message.

Miss Crowder to Wed Kelly, Cottondale Man

Mrs. Jonah Collins entertained Wednesday night at her home with a miscellaneous shower to announce the approaching marriage of her sister, Miss Velma Crowder, to Mr. Earl Kelly. The wedding will take place Dec. 22. The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Crowder of Decatur, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kelly of near Cottondale. He is a young man of sterling qualities. Both the young people are popular and have many friends.

A specially arranged program was rendered. Those on program were: Miss Gertrude Neel, Mrs. Easley, Anita J. Siddons, Helen Harms, Joan Gore. At the close of the program, Santa Claus came forth with a surprise for everyone, and to present the gifts, had been arranged in lovely profusion on the tree.

Refreshments were served to fifty-nine guests.—A Guest, Mrs. J. B. Gore.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE PRESENTED AT ROE

There will be a Christmas program at the Roe school Friday night. There will be three one-act plays. Old Santa Claus will be there as usual; Mrs. Santa and Little Santa will be there, too. Come and see Little Santa. He is just like his daddy.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this means of thanking the friends of John E. Gardner for the many kind deeds and considerations shown us during our bereavement.—J. T. Gardner, Otho Gardner, Sam Gardner Duke Gardner, C. B. Lasater.

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Providing good pork for our families has been the aim of the girls' vocational agriculture class of Decatur High school for the past week. First we decided what types of hogs are best suited for this purpose. Then we discussed the characteristics of good pork and the methods to use in order to provide it. We found that good pork should be palatable, have a sweet taste, not salty, general proportion of fat and lean, freshness, solid, not watery, and a bright red color. The methods that are used to provide good pork are either the use of sugar cure or smoking system.

In using the sugar cure process, do not put any salt on the meat for the first 24 hours, in order to be sure the meat is free from animal heat. Use only one-half the sugar cure at the first curing. Then pack in crock jars or a closed container and leave for fifteen days. Then take the meat up and apply the last half of the curing and repack in containers, and leave from 60 to 90 days to be sure the meat has had plenty of time to cure. Remove the meat and cleanse thoroughly and hang it.

We believe that if each family will use this method, they will have good pork for their families, as we are going to do.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the sympathy and kindness shown us, and the beautiful floral offerings contributed during the illness and death of our dear mother, Mrs. Rosa Pool. May God's blessings be upon you during your hours of sorrow, is our prayer.—Joe Pool, John Henry Pool, Clarence Pool, O. V. Pool, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Burch, Mr. Newt Dodds, and grandson, Victor Willis Pool.

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tacular entertainment. The film utilizes more than five thousand actors, workmen and technicians.

The story to be shown at the Saturday night preview and Monday night show is "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," with Norma Shearer, Fredric March and Charles Laughton in the leading roles. This show was rated "four-star" in Liberty magazine, a seldom achieved distinction. It is said by all the critics to be one

of the best pictures produced during the year.

Bob Steele in "Ranger's Code" is the western featured Saturday afternoon and evening, in addition to the serial, "Burn 'em Up Barnes."

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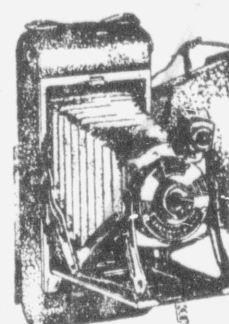
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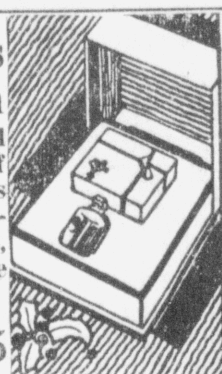
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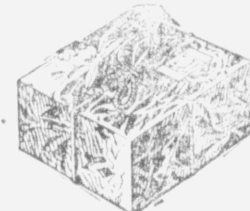
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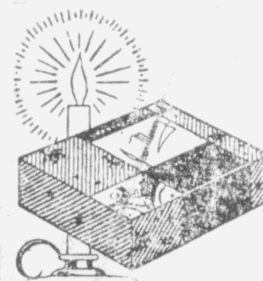
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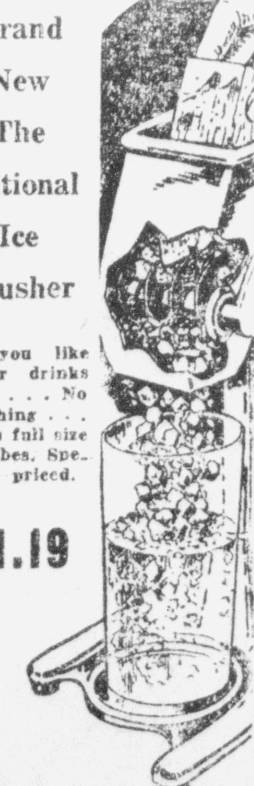
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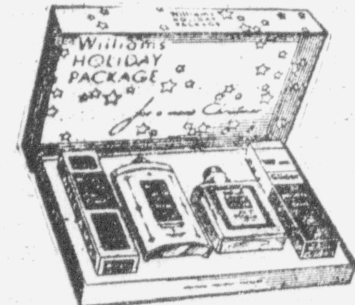
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FOR SALE—16 months old white roan bull.—J. A. PARRISH, Rte. 2, Decatur, Texas.

WANTED—White face bull for service.—CECIL SELLARS, Leo, Texas.

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"hard-boiled" by this language, but just want to make it plain that I am fed up on raising turkeys for the other fellow. In other words, I want it strictly understood that all turkeys have had their last peck off me.—S. McCORMACK.

FOR SALE—Oliver walking planter, in good shape, price, \$5.00; one peanut attachment, in good shape, for 8-hole plate John Deere planter, for \$3.00.—ARVILLE RHINE, Rte. 4, Decatur, Texas.

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made the change

Santa Claus has slick chimney-work in 290 towns in Texas and Oklahoma on the Lone Star network of natural gas, because we've been working 25 years to make your smokeless sky-lines. Since Christmas morning starts very early in most houses, our men are busy at the gas wells, the compressors, and along the field lines, building up a peak load long before day.



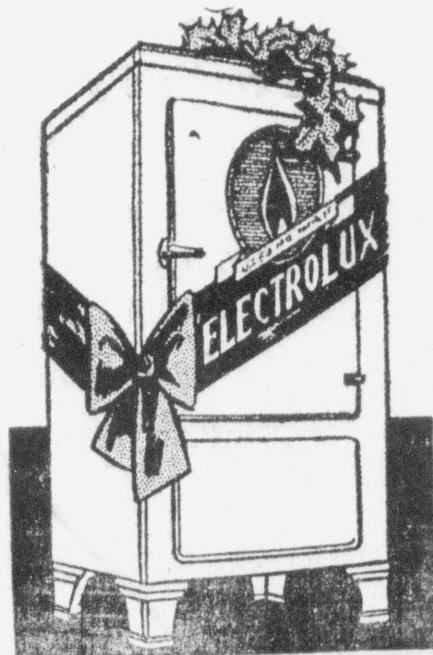
We know why the winters are easier now than they used to be—it's because of your natural gas. Why should a winter get out of control when a man can turn on a rich and inexpensive heat all over the place? Why should a north wind upset a household when water heaters are turning out two hot baths on a penny's worth of gas? What's a little sleet, so long as you don't have to bring in wood and kindling, and build fires? Thousands of miles of underground gas lines have changed the winters in this part of the country.

New Gas Inventions

Would you like to help yourself to still more comfort at your house for the New Year? Shop at your appliance dealer's for the new gas inventions, from heaters to refrigerators. We show some of this equipment in the panel below. It does its work, whatever it is, for much less cost than any other method, because of your natural gas.

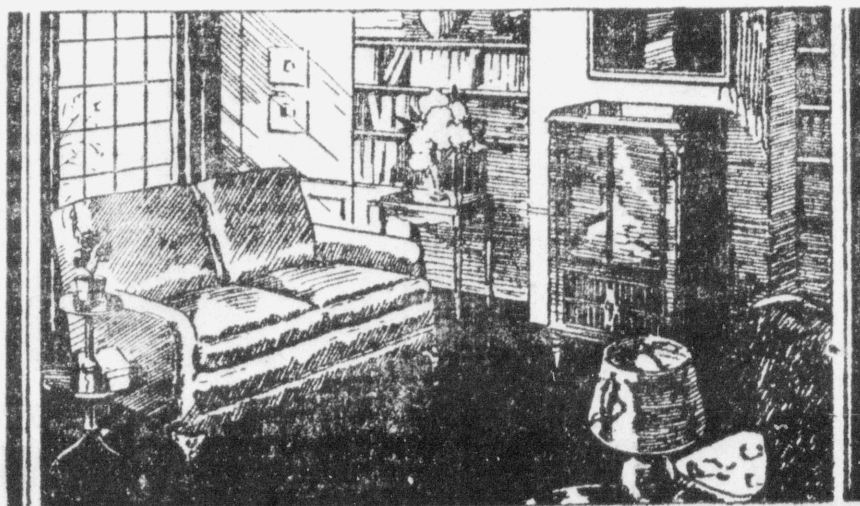
New Heaters Work Like Furnaces

Have you seen the new enclosed heaters that work like furnaces? Here's one in this picture, the handsome lacquered cabinet. The flame never touches the air you breathe, because the firebox vents out the flue. The Floor Furnace is another popular invention, a highly efficient heater that fits under the floor.



So Modern It Needs No Complicated Machinery

And the Gas Refrigerator runs for much less cost than any other method. Not a speck of noise or vibration. Beautifully finished and equipped with the latest improvements.



It Even Lights Itself

Cool Oven Walls. Temperature dial for CORRECT oven temperatures. Gliding smokeless broiler. New type burners. And gas is much faster and lower-priced than any other cooking heat.

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